

Town of Abington
Board of Health Meeting
Monday, September 16, 2013
Buckley Room
7:00pm

Member's present: Bob Manning, Chairman, Theresa Maze, Vice-Chair, Margie Devlin, Donna Hoffman, Sharon White, Health Agent

Bob motions to adjourn to the Cotter Room to start the meeting

Margie seconds

Unanimous

Bob calls the meeting to order at 7:11pm.

Tony Hall/Allen St.

Mr. Hall has a few questions:

1. What is the continued follow up that the BOH has for the heavy infestation of rats?
2. Were the stolen rat traps reported to the police and the environmental police?
3. When the food establishment's last inspection was for rats and he would like a report on the inspection.
4. Are there any citations if anyone calls on a rat problem from the Green St neighborhood?
5. Was the 8/19 meeting aired on tv? If so, when?
6. The Green St area would like a meeting with the BOH and Selectmen

Bob explains that he will work with the Selectmen to set up a meeting.

Bob states that the meeting was aired but has not seen it. Margie states that it is also on YouTube.

Sharon explains that we turn the tapes into the Abington Cable and has no idea what their schedule is to run meetings.

Discussion regarding citations and Notice to Correct Order.

Sharon explains that the inspections she does are public record and are done every 6 months. She always asks the establishments for their IPM Plan is.

Bob states that he has been in the area monitoring as well as the Selectmen.

Regarding the rat traps, it is just allegations with nothing that she can prove.

Kevin Monroe, 20 Martin St. speaks regarding Tony Hall making an anonymous complaint against him.

Kevin confirms that Sharon stated it was an anonymous complaint when asked by Mr. Monroe.

Discussion on more follow up and pest control.

Public Hearing on proposed amendment to ban smoking in Private Clubs

Bob states that they have in front of them the proposed regulations. Sharon adds that there was a vote taken on August 19, 2013, to accept the regulations.

Tom Connolly, 2 Indian Brook Road would like information regarding the other private clubs in town and also if members could vote on smoking or non-smoking within the Knights of Columbus.

Discussion public vs private clubs

Bob proposed that the regulations go into effect October 15, 2013

Donna seconds motion

Margie opposes

Terry would like to be more flexible and give more time and suggests November 1, 2013

Bob makes the motion to November 1, 2013

Terry seconds motion

Donna opposes

Bob proposes October 20, 2013

Donna seconds

Terry agrees

Margie opposes

Unanimous

E-Waste Day

Sharon brings up to the Board that we should have another E-Waste day where they have been so successful. She will talk more to Peter with CRT Recycling and Lorraine to come up with a date.

Temporary Food Permits protocol

Bob placed this on the agenda because of past experiences with the Coombs Memorial Road Race.

Bob explains that we have had a hard time collecting the proper information from charity events in the last 2 years. He feels that the Board needs to set rules and regulations pertaining to how and what the procedures will be.

60 Days in advance notify the BOH to waive permit fees and to provide a list of all vendors who will be supplying food.

Within 30 days all forms of participants filed in the BOH office so we have the appropriate time to review

Within 15 days of the event we will then waive the fee and allow the event to go forward. If they do not meet these stipulations we will enforce and inform the coordinator that the fees will not be waived and it must be paid in full before the event can take place.

Bob will write this up will try and present it to the Board at the next meeting.

Proposed Dumpster Regulations

Terry has a concern with Condo's/Apartments having to enclose their dumpsters. She feels it should be a suggestion instead of mandating it.

Discussion

The Board will go through the Regulations line by line and make whatever changes.

Minutes

Margie motions to accept the August 19, 2013, minutes

Donna seconds

Unanimous

Terry motions to accept the September 3, 2013, minutes

Donna seconds

Unanimous

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Terry motions to adjourn

Margie seconds

Unanimous

Bob Manning, Chairman

Mary DeRusha, Chief Clerk